

AMENDMENT TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Canceled)

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2. (Previously Presented) The apparatus according to claim 55, further comprising condition holding means for holding information of the print job, and wherein the information informed from said informing means includes information of the print job held by said condition holding means.

3. (Previously Presented) The apparatus according to claim 55, wherein the external apparatus is informed via a communication network, and said informing means informs all external apparatuses connected via the communication network.

4. (Canceled)

5. (Previously Presented) The apparatus according to claim 55, wherein said determination means determines whether contents of the condition acquired by said condition acquisition means indicate a power-OFF notice signal.

6. (Canceled)

7. (Previously Presented) The apparatus according to claim 56, wherein the external apparatus is informed via a communication network, and said informing means informs all external apparatuses connected via the communication network.

8. (Canceled)

9. (Previously Presented) The apparatus according to claim 56, wherein said determination means determines whether contents of the condition acquired by said condition acquisition means indicate a power-OFF notice signal.

10. (Canceled)

11. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 57, further comprising a condition holding step of holding information of the print job, and wherein the information informed in the informing step includes information of the print job held in the condition holding step.

12. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 57, wherein the external apparatus is informed via a communication network, and the informing step includes a step of informing all external apparatuses connected via the communication network.

13. (Canceled)

14. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 57, wherein the determination step includes a step of determining whether contents of the condition acquired in said condition acquisition step indicate a power-OFF notice signal.

15. (Canceled)

16. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 58, wherein the external apparatus is informed via a communication network, and the informing step includes the step of informing all external apparatuses connected via the communication network.

17. (Canceled)

18. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 58, wherein the determination step includes a step of determining whether contents of the condition acquired in said condition acquisition step indicate a power-OFF notice signal.

19 to 54. (Canceled)

55. (Currently Amended) A print controlling apparatus for controlling a printing unit to print data corresponding to a print job, comprising:

reception means for receiving from the printing unit a signal indicating that a condition of the printing unit has changed;

condition acquisition means for acquiring the condition of the printing unit in response to the signal;

determination means for determining based on the acquired condition whether a change in the condition of the printing unit corresponds to a power-OFF notice; and

informing means for informing an external apparatus that a power supply is scheduled to be turned off when said determination means determines that the change in the condition of the printing unit corresponds to the power-OFF notice.

56. (Currently Amended) A print controlling apparatus for controlling a printing unit to print data corresponding to a print job, comprising:

reception means for receiving from the printing unit a signal indicating that a condition of the printing unit has changed;

condition acquisition means for acquiring the condition of the printing unit in response to the signal;

determination means for determining based on the acquired condition whether a change in the condition of the printing unit corresponds to a power-OFF notice;

storage means for storing information on a print job that has not been completed in a nonvolatile storage medium when said determination means determines that the change in the condition of the printing unit corresponds to the power-OFF notice; and

informing means for, when a power supply is turned on power is resumed after information on a print job that has not been completed has been stored in the nonvolatile storage medium and power has been turned off, supplying information on the print job that has not been completed to an external apparatus on the basis of the information stored in the nonvolatile storage medium.

57. (Currently Amended) A print controlling method for controlling a printing unit to print data corresponding to a print job, comprising:

- a reception step of receiving from the printing unit a signal indicating that a condition of the printing unit has changed;
- a condition acquisition step of acquiring the condition of the printing unit in response to the signal;
- a determination step of determining based on the acquired condition whether a change in the condition of the printing unit corresponds to a power-OFF notice;
- and
- an informing step of informing an external apparatus that a power supply is scheduled to be turned off when it is determined in said determination step means ~~determines~~ that the change in the condition of the printing unit corresponds to the power-OFF notice.

58. (Currently Amended) A print controlling method for controlling a printing unit to print data corresponding to a print job, comprising:

- a reception step of receiving from the printing unit a signal indicating that a condition of the printing unit has changed;
- a condition acquisition step of acquiring the condition of the printing unit in response to the signal;
- a determination step of determining based on the acquired condition whether a change in the condition of the printing unit corresponds to a power-OFF notice;

a storage step of storing information on a print job that has not been completed in a nonvolatile storage medium when said determination step determines that the change in the condition of the printing unit corresponds to the power-OFF notice; and

an informing step of, when ~~a power supply is turned on~~ power is resumed after information on a print job that has not been completed has been stored in the nonvolatile storage medium and power has been turned off, supplying information on the print job that has not been completed to an external apparatus on the basis of the information stored in the nonvolatile storage medium.

59 to 66. (Canceled)

67. (Currently Amended) A computer program product loadable into an internal memory of a digital computer for controlling a printing unit to print data corresponding to a print job, comprising program code portions for performing the steps of:

receiving from the printing unit a signal indicating that a condition of the printing unit has changed;

acquiring the condition of the printing unit in response to the signal;

determining based on the acquired condition whether a change in the condition of the printing unit corresponds to a power-OFF notice; and

informing an external apparatus that a power supply is scheduled to be turned off when it is determined that the change in the condition of the printing unit corresponds to the power-OFF notice.

68. (Currently Amended) A computer program product loadable into an internal memory of a digital computer for controlling a printing unit to print data corresponding to a print job, comprising program code portions for performing the steps of:

receiving from the printing unit a signal indicating that a condition of the printing unit has changed;

acquiring the condition of the printing unit in response to the signal;

determining based on the acquired condition whether a change in the condition of the printing unit corresponds to a power-OFF notice;

storing information on a print job that has not been completed in a nonvolatile storage medium when it is determined that the change in the condition of the printing unit corresponds to the power-OFF notice; and

supplying information on ~~the~~ a print job that has not been completed to an external apparatus on the basis of the information stored in the nonvolatile storage medium, when ~~a power supply is turned on~~ power is resumed after information on the print job has been stored in the nonvolatile storage medium and power has been turned off.

69 to 76. (Cancelled)

77. (New) A print controlling apparatus according to Claim 55, wherein when said determination means determines that the change in the condition of the printing unit corresponds to the power-OFF notice, the power supply is turned off after the external

apparatus is informed by said informing means that the power supply is scheduled to be turned off.

78. (New) A print controlling method according to Claim 57, wherein when it is determined in said determination step that the change in the condition of the printing unit corresponds to the power-OFF notice, the power supply is turned off after the external apparatus is informed in said informing step that the power supply is scheduled to be turned off.

79. (New) A computer program product according to Claim 67, wherein when it is determined in said determining step that the change in the condition of the printing unit corresponds to the power-OFF notice, the power supply is turned off after the external apparatus is informed in said informing step that the power supply is scheduled to be turned off.

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